

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow.

1. Disposition of the Claims

A detailed listing of all claims that are or were in the application, irrespective of whether the claims remain under examination in the application, is presented with an appropriate status identifier.

Claims 1-4, 6, 8-11, and 21-37 are pending. Claims 1, 8, and 9 are currently amended. Claim 6 is cancelled. Upon entry of this amendment, claims 1-4, 8-11, and 21-37 will be pending.

2. Information Disclosure Statement

An information disclosure statement is being filed with this response as requested by the Examiner for Teri et al. Journal of Gerontology, Psychological Sciences, 1991, vol. 46, pp 372-377..

3. Claim Rejection – 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph

The Office rejects claims 8 and 9 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. Claims 8-9 are amended and are now dependent on claim 22. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of this rejection.

4. Claim Rejection – 35 U.S.C. § 112, fourth paragraph

The Office rejects claim 6 under 35 U.S.C. 112, fourth paragraph. Claim 6 is now canceled the subject matter thereof, has been added to claim 1 in the alternative. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of this rejection.

5. Claim Rejection – 35 U.S.C. § 102(e)

The Office rejects claims 1-4, 10-11, 21, 23-37 as being anticipated by Hamilton et al. U.S. 5,786,378. The amendment to claim 1, and consequently, to the dependent claims, render this rejection moot by deleting “or treating memory impairment.” Therefore, the Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of this rejection.

CONCLUSION

Applicants believe that this response places this application in condition for allowance. Accordingly, entry of the response and reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if he feels that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of this application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check or credit card payment form being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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